

## MINUTES OF THE BLUE MOUNTAINS DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

San Juan County Courthouse  
March 30, 1994

The annual meeting of the Blue Mountain Distribution System was called to order at 7:07 p.m. with Mr. Lee Sim, Assistant State Engineer for Distribution conducting the meeting.

Casey Ford of the Division of Water Rights read the minutes of the previous year's meeting. There were no additions or corrections to the minutes. A motion was made by Karl Barton and seconded by Clem Washburn to accept the minutes as read. All approved.

The financial statement for 1993 was discussed. As of January 1, 1993, there was \$734.39 in the Trust Account. Interest accrued during the year amounted to \$18.78. The balance as of December 31, 1993 was \$778.17. Expenditures for the year were \$1,775.00 for contractual services for the commissioner's expenses. A motion was made by Max Dalton, seconded by Gary Halls to accept the financial statement. The vote was unanimous.

Casey Ford then read a report prepared by Max Dalton concerning water diverted during the 1993 season. He stated that this past winter's snowpack was the heaviest in 16 years. The runoff from Montezuma Creek peaked at 70.0 cfs May 25th. The runoff ended the 25th of July. Water was then turned out of Lloyd's Lake with a total of 800 acre feet released during the remainder of the irrigation season. Blue Mt. Irrigation Co. went on turns the 10th of May through July 20th when the runoff ended.

Commissioner Alfredo Garcia then presented his commissioner's report. Lloyd's Lake filled for the first time since its completion in 1986 with water spilling beginning in mid May. Some cracks developed in the right abutment that were of concern, but surveys indicated the structure is stable. Precautionary withdrawal of 792 ac. ft. was discharged to bring the level of the lake down 10 feet. In October repairs were made on the seep area of the right abutment so that maximum water storage can be utilized.

During the season, flumes were installed in the Upper Shingle Mill Draw and in Pioneer Ditch. A V-notch wier was installed in the Lower Shingle Mill Draw and repairs were made to the Pioneer Ditch and Shingle Mill Ditch.

At the end of the Commissioner's report, Mr. Garcia indicated that he would not be able to continue as commissioner for the next year so he resigned.

A motion was made by Clyde Barton and seconded by Joe Barton to accept the commissioner's report. All approved.

Discussion then followed concerning the appointment of a new commissioner. Gary Halls motioned that his daughter, Michelle Halls be appointed commissioner this season with Ruel Randall as deputy commissioner. Mr. Garcia and Mr. Randall will take measurements from the pieziometers and measuring devices for the first few weeks until Michelle becomes familiar with the system. A second to the motion was made by Max Dalton. The voting was unanimous.

Mr. Sim then discussed the budget. The following budget is proposed for 1994:

Commissioner's salary (60 days @ \$25.00/day) at \$1525.00  
with the costs to be born as follows:

60% San Juan County Water Conservancy District  
10% Blue Mountain Irrigation Co.  
10% Gary Halls  
10% Monticello City  
10% Pioneer Ditch c/o Monticello City

A motion to approve the budget and its billing procedure was made by Gary Halls, seconded by Max Dalton, the motion was unanimous.

A motion was made by Gary Halls to reappoint the same distribution committee as in 1993. A second was made by Clem Washburn, the motion passed. The members of the distribution committee are as follows:

Max Dalton	Chairman
Gary Halls	Vice chairman
Karl Barton	Pioneer Ditch
Ernest Sonderegger	Pioneer Ditch
David Adams	Spring Creek
Jack Redd	Spring Creek
Joe Barton	Verdure Creek

Request was made to have a copy of the minutes sent to each committee member. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Those present at the meeting included:

Lee Sim	Division of Water Rights
John S. Larsen	Division of Water Rights
Casey Ford	Division of Water Rights
Rick Wilde	Division of Water Rights
Gertrudys Adkins	Division of Water Rights
Alfredo Garcia	Water Commissioner
Ruel Randall	Deputy Commissioner
Francis D. Nielson	San Juan County Water Cons. Dist.
Max Dalton	Blue Mountains Irrigation Co.
Karl S. Barton	Verdure & Pioneer Irrigation Co.
Clyde M. Barton	Verdure & Pioneer Irrigation Co.
Don R. Barton	Verdure
Joseph R. Barton	Verdure
Gary Halls	High Water Rights
Clem E. Washburn	Blue Mountains Irrigation Co.